GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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GREEN DIESEL
SAHIB SINGH VERMA

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sale of `green diesel` has been started in NCR Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it will cater to the entire demand of diesel in the NCR area;

(d) if not, the details of other steps taken in this regard; and

(e) the extent to which the steps taken are likely to help in reducing the level of environment pollution?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. Sale of diesel with sulphur content of 0.05% (maximum) has been started in the National Capital Region (NCR), Delhi with effect from 1.7.2001.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

(e) The sulphur content in diesel sold in NCR has beenreduced by twenty times (from 1% maximum to 0.05% maximum) during the past 5 years time. This will result in lower emission of sulphur into the environment and thus will reduce the level of environmental pollution.